

Town of Southampton

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday December 08th, 2015 Southampton Town Hall

Members present: D. von Lehsten (DVL), S. Carlin (SC), A. Reisman (AR), G. Berk (GB), J. Scherer (JS), L. Arthur (LA), B. Chaleff (BC), J. Barrows (JB),

Non members present: C. Fetten (CF), J. Becerra (JB), B. Fleming (BF), A. Throne-Holst (ATH)

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. Meeting minutes from November 24th, 2015 were approved.

Progression and Discussion of 400+ Components

General Discussion Overview, as expanded below: CF mentioned that they have started to put in the spray foam insulation at the Bay Constable Quonset hut. This will be a spot where they can do work on their boats. Also, Good Ground Park is moving along where work will begin soon. This will be a recreational park that will have a public amphitheater, bathrooms, etc. Finally, Solarize first phase has concluded and the paperwork has been given to NYSERDA; application for next year has been put in. NP will reach out to PACE contacts. It would be great to include internships in the RFP through the new vendor. AR mentioned the Water Protection Plan will be held over until the next year, and some parts of it will be examined; Christine Scalera said she would discuss with the Trustees. LA said there will be an energy subcommittee meeting on December 17th with Jon Garvey, they will discuss demand management program. BC wants to request to the Town Board to make an exception for Shovanne so that she may join as soon as possible; she will be a participant but will not be able to vote. BC will contact her and ask her to participate.

1. EDUCATION

- a. Town Employees
- b. Homeowners and Other Residents – *DVL on Public Forums 2016: there has not been much feedback on this, but the main idea is to reach out to the public and tell them what the Committee is doing as, our agenda and developments, as far as energy and water. With that in mind, should we use existing CACs, clubs, associations, etc. who have a large membership and gatherings at their facilities? LA mentioned that attendance at these events is very important, and winter is a good time to do it. Should plan one meeting that is well attended, like a library, and see who shows up. The topic is what makes it attendable, and a topic that affects them directly (what's in it for them). JS said the last forum was about energy, but the urgency for action wasn't there. Finally, DVL reminded we should talk to Gordian once more and see how many he could commit to, then assess with the CACs and run a few tests during the winter. LA and SC committed to working with Gordian for energy events.*
- c. Business Owners
- d. Primary School education
- e. Educational signage
- f. Food Production & Consumption

g. Outreach

2. WATER

- a. Regional Clean Water Coalition
- b. Surface Water Quality
- c. Education-
- d. Regulated Water Conservation
- e. Water Treatment and Reuse
- f. Landscape Management
- g. Drinking Water Quality
- h. Groundwater Protection
- i. Stormwater Management
- j. Wetlands Protection
- k. Floodplains
- l. Planning and Emergency Mgmt

3. ECONOMICS

- a. Sustainability Index
- b. Green Business Development
- c. Resource Sharing
- d. Affordable Housing
- e. Sustainable Economy

4. LAND USE

- a. Climate Action Plan
- b. Land Use Plan – *Solar City County contract: the County has awarded a contract to Solar City to*

install solar panels on 5 County owned parcels, some to be ground and roof. One of the parcels is in the Town. There are a few issues with this: 1) trees will be taken down to make room; 2) the RFP was awarded and there were no public hearings; 3) the contract got signed by LILCO doing business as LIPA; 4) the contract is not allowed to be FOILED; among others. The Town should be concerned and do something because if it does not, it runs the risk of the sending the message that all of this is OK.

- c. Open Space Preservation
- d. New Open space
- e. Biomass Preservation
- f. Environmental Restoration
- g. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- h. Heat Island Effect

5. TRANSPORTATION & AIR QUALITY

- a. Idling Reduction
- b. Bicycle Use
- c. Complete Streets
- d. Demand – Reduce VMT
- e. Public Transportation
- f. Parking
- g. Reduced Emissions Alt Fuel
- h. Neighborhood Pattern and Design
- i. Resilient Infrastructure

6. ENERGY / CARBON

- a. Long Term Energy Planning – *JS on micro grid: NYSERDA came over and they had a meeting with the consultant over the phone because needed to do the submission for the first phase. Some revisions were made because NYSERDA wanted to see every step written down. There is an issue with NY Prize in round 2, because they want the municipality to put down \$250, 000 without knowing if it will work. This application is due by the end of February. Also, Water Sense was put in for today's TB meeting; there is no harm in signing up for it.*
- b. Energy and Carbon Audits
- c. Clean Energy Renewable
- d. Energy and Carbon Reduction
- e. Education

7. GREEN BUILDING

- a. Sustainable New Construction
- b. Green Building Education
- c. Water Efficiency in Buildings
- d. Heat Island Effect - Roofs

8. WASTE

- a. Municipal Facility Recycling

- b. Comprehensive E Waste Recycling
- c. Plastic Recycling
- d. Organic Waste
- e. Waste Education –
- f. School Recycling/Trex – in process
- g. Materials Exchange
- h. Paper Waste
- i. Building waste
- j. Hazardous Waste
- k. Product Stewardship
- l. Long Term Waste Planning – FRNCA pilot in process

9. QUALITY OF LIFE

- a. Promotion of Physical Activity
- b. Local Food
- c. Air Quality
- d. Facade Improvement
- e. Education
- f. Emergency Preparedness

10. STEWARDSHIP

- a. Trail Preservation
- b. Historic Places
- c. Fisheries
- d. Nutrients in Environment
- e. Education
- f. Vacant Land
- g. Forest and Vegetation

***** Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM. Please be advised that our next meeting will be Tuesday January 05th, 2015 at 4:00PM in the lower level conference room of Southampton Town Hall.***